



STATE BOARD OF CORRECTIONS

BOARD POLICY NUMBER: 30-1

SUBJECT: Local Correctional Facility Standards

DATE: July 16, 2003

- 30-1.1 POLICY. All prisoners, no matter what the location of their incarceration, should be assured a minimum level of care and custody. Additionally, citizens and others sharing the burden of the cost of incarceration should expect that tax dollars will be spent in a cost efficient manner.

The Board of Corrections shall establish minimum standards for the construction, equipment and operation of local correctional facilities and lockups.

The Board shall monitor compliance with minimum standards through an on-going program of inspections of the local correctional facilities by the Department's Local Facilities Unit, and through scheduled compliance audits by the staff of the Department's Compliance and Accreditation Unit.

The Board shall take such action as it deems appropriate in accordance with the laws relating to local correctional facilities against facilities that are not constructed, equipped, maintained or designed so as to comply with the minimum standards of the Board.

- 30-1.2 AUTHORITY. Code of Virginia, Sections

53.1-5, Powers and Duties of Board

53.1-68, Minimum standards for local correctional facilities, lock-ups and personnel, health inspection.

53.1-69, Board may prohibit confinement and require transfer of prisoners in substandard facilities

53.1-125, Failure of sheriffs or jail superintendents to comply with requirements of board; filing of complaint; withholding salary

- 30-1.3 REFERENCES. None.

- 30-1.4 IMPLEMENTING PROCEDURES.

6 VAC 15-20-10 et seq., Rules and Regulations Governing the Certification Process

6 VAC 15-40-10 et seq., Minimum Standards for Jails and Lockups

6 VAC 15-80-10 et seq. Standard for Planning, Design, Construction and Reimbursement of Local Correctional Facilities

- 30-1.5 EFFECTIVE DATE. July 16, 2003.

- 30-1.6 SUPERSESION. This policy supersedes Board Policy 30-1 dated September 17, 1998.

- 30-1.7 REVIEW DATE. This policy must be reviewed and updated as necessary.

Adopted by the Board of Corrections on May 21, 2003.

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